# IRONDALE NEWSLETTER

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August / September 2023

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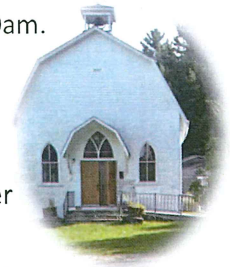
## Morning Services



are offered every Sunday at 10am.

Generally led by a lay reader, they are non-denominational.

Services range from 30 to 45 minutes. Afterwards we gather for coffee and goodies.

Services run June to October. Come as you are. We look forward to seeing you.

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## Sunday June 4 and July 9

saw a great group of individuals meet for Sunday service, led by Rev. P. Henry

Rev. Patsy Henry has agreed to come back a few times this season.; to lead us in fellowship, song & prayer.

Brenda followed our service with a fabulous breakfast. Those attending the service were sure to enjoyed her labour.

Patsy is back again on Sept 10 and Oct 1. Oct 1 is World Wide Communion Sunday so communion will be offered. Oct 1 will also be our final service of the year.

**Irondale Community Centre**

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of
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**~Rentals~**
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*BLCD has been fortunate to have received funds.*

we accept PayPal

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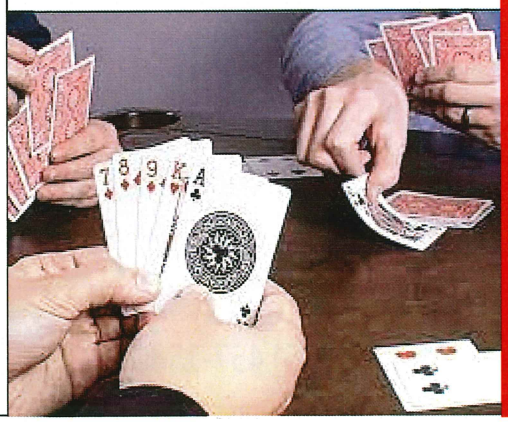
Cash and Cheques as well for Event Tickets, Donations and Souvenir Purchases

**Friendly Euchre is back!**
**every Wed night, games begin 7pm**
**Irondale Community Centre**



**We are still looking for**

photos of those that served in any military/navy for our weeklong display in November.

If you have someone that served and wish to share ...

please call 705-457-8438, see George Simmons or email historical @IrondaleOntario to find out more.

We have had to say
Good-bye to

Gordon Smith
White Lake / California
May 18, 2023
Gordon was an avid Irondale
Wednesday Euchre player

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Mary Elizabeth Hartin
Kinmount
May 31, 2023
wife of Bradley Hartin

~ ~ ~

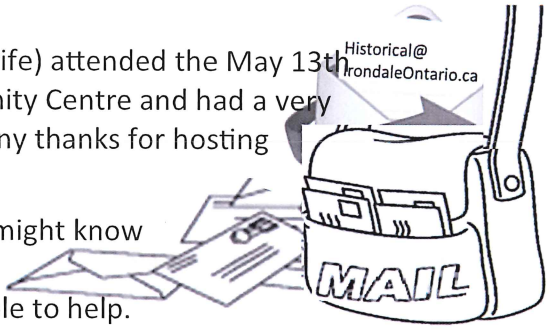
Paul Morin
Minden
June 13, 2023
husband on Pam Morin,
brother in law Tom & Diane
Dawson - all of Minden

~ ~ ~

Elva Bates
Gooderham
July 8, 2023
author of
Gooderham & Area History
Book and Gooderham eh?

*"Gone from our sight,*
*but never from our hearts."*

**Letters to the Editor -**




"My name is Maurice and I (along with my wife) attended the May 13th Smokin Hot Dinner in Gooderham's Community Centre and had a very nice evening with our local community....many thanks for hosting the event.

After arriving home, my wife and I think we might know someone who also attended the event but aren't sure, we were hoping you might be able to help.

We sat next to a gentleman named "Ken", who we think lived on the same street (almost 20 years ago) in the Jane and Lawrence area of Toronto. At the time he was a school teacher with a soft-coated Weaton terrier and a pool in the backyard.

If we've remembered the same "Ken", please feel free to send him a "Hello" from Elke and Maurice (we lived on Boyd Avenue - next door to Rick and Emily) and we also had a German Shepherd and Labrador Retriever mixed breed dog."

Follow up to this letter ...
Ken Clarke says "Such a small world. Our next door neighbour had the Weaton and pool. We had Wellington, the brown and white Beardy who would venture into their yard or Rick's in search of food. Please tell them that Rick is still in the house."

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Dear Editor,
Please pass on my grateful thank you for all the people that attended the Celebration of Life for Fredrick Simmons on June 24. I knew he left a very large hole in my heart and life; and expected he touched a few others as well.

I was overwhelmed with the number of people that braved the rain. They shared stories, laughter and tears with each other. The ladies had prepared a fabulous spread of sandwiches and desserts - enjoyed by many. Even Fred's Grade 4 teacher was in attendance!

George (one of Fred's brothers) did an excellent job of sharing some highlights of Fred's life. He had us laughing as well as shedding a tear in remembrance.

Because of the volume of people, many did not get a chance to sign the guest book. I had wanted to send each and every one that attended a handwritten note of thanks; however I would surely miss someone. I would appreciate you printing my letter so that all know I am truly thankful for everyone's one's kindness.

Many thanks,
Carol Simmons

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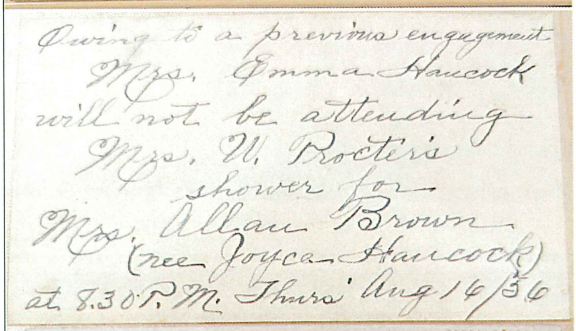


## Katherine McAlpine shared with us ...

I came across this little note that Emma Hancock sent to my Mom in 1956.

Please take notice of the 2 cent stamp!.. the postmark is Irondale....the address is just "town" (you can't do that now!).

The RSVP is quite charming and something you just don't see these days as everything is done on-line or over the phone.

I thought it was quite lovely that Emma would take the time to not only write this but mail to Mom.

Kathy sent us the photos of the card seen here to the left.

The card reads

*"Owing to a previous engagement Mrs. Emma Hancock will not be attending Mrs. W. Procter's shower for Mrs. Allan Brown (nee Joyce Hancock) at 8.30 p.m. Thurs Aug 14/36"*

Do you have treasures like this in your closets or drawers? Let share them through this newsletter—so everyone can enjoy them.

## SPRING FLING

June 10 was a perfectly clear day—on the warm side but why would we expect anything different for June. We had some fabulous vendors and our visitors were even more fabulous. It was so great to chat with people we hadn't seen over the winter. The BBQ and Bake Sale were popular tents ... homegrown tomato plants and other vegetables were offered. There was a *White Elephant Table* by donation with all monies turned into the Bark Lake Cultural Developments.

David—a relatively new Irondale resident entertained with his clarinet. It was so lovely to hear the notes drift across the lawn.

We even had wild rabbits running through our festival. Such fun to watch them play.

Looking forward to our Harvest Festival, Sept 23.

Iron Mine tour returns!

## Sometimes on Sunday. . .

KINMOUNT, ONT.

It is 10:30 on almost any Sunday this summer. The location is St. John's Church, Irondale. William A. Witham, Lay Reader from St. Paul's, Lindsay, takes his place at the prayer desk. So begins what one instinctively expects will be a sort of routine service of Morning Prayer.

In the neat well-kept little church in vacationland is a congregation of children, youths and seniors. The windows are clear (and clean) glass, a temptation to stare at the outside world. None seems to yield to that temptation. Instead there is an air of expectancy and involvement.

The hymn ends and Mr. Withan begins the Prayer Book order for Morning Prayer.

It's time for the psalm. The congregation remains seated. Not the lay reader but the man at the end of a pew begins the psalm, the rest of the congregation responding with the alternate verses.

The lessons are read by other members of the congregation, either men or women.

The sermon, somewhat impromptu the day THE ANGLICAN was present, was delivered by Bill Witham who explained that the friend who had been announced as preacher had been called back to Toronto because of a bereavement.

Witham is a chartered accountant by profession and the service revealed that kind of orderliness that is often associated with accountancy. These summer services at St. John's, Irondale, have not been mechanical, however, but suggest that they have been planned so that there may be a congregational involvement and cohesion in each service.

Throughout the summer Bill Witham has been in charge, except when the Rev. John Ball was present for Holy Communion.

St. John's, Irondale, is at present in the parish of Kinmount of which Mr. Ball is incumbent. When Mr. Ball retires, later this year, it is understood that Irondale will be transferred to the care of Church Army Captain R.E. Sims at Wilberforce.

Irondale, in which St. John's is situated can hardly be called a 'ghost town'. It never progressed that far. Many years ago, with the discovery of iron deposits in the area a townsite was laid out in anticipation of early and rapid growth based upon the exploitation of the near-by mine.

The opening of mines elsewhere brought the development to an early end. About all that is left to commemorate the hopes and aspirations of the past are the name Irondale and a block of iron ore in St. John's Church as a memorial.

What might have been a miners' church in a flourishing community has become instead, for many, a place of meaningful worship while on vacation.

The article to the left was also shared by Kathy McAlpine.

This article was in the September 1971 issue of what I believe to the Anglican Newspaper.

Our Sunday services are still done with several people taking part, occasionally having a guest minister.

Have a look in your drawers and/or cupboards. You may find something you would like to share.

## Reader's Share with Us …

*Margy Fairbairn writes …*

My dad bought our cottage in 1963. He loved the area but didn't have much money. He was raised on a farm in Saskatchewan, went off to war, married a local girl who wanted to stay on the farm but dad wanted to better himself.

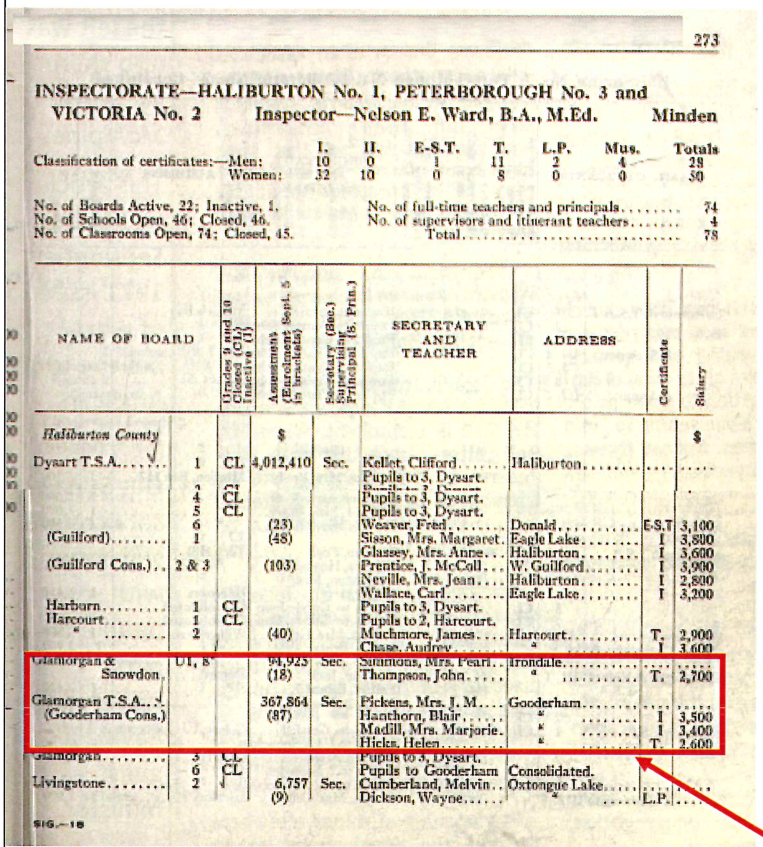
He became a teacher, moved to Ontario (decades later with his second wife) and settled in Scarborough. Yet he knew he craved the great outdoors. He camped with us for several years (can you imagine camping with newborns and toddlers from 1957 to 1963 in leaking canvas tents?)

Then he broke the budget by purchasing a cottage on Gooderham lake (previously Pine Lake) for about 3 grand.

Totally broke the budget and put them into debt. Dad worked 3 jobs to help pay for the cottage; teacher, encyclopedia salesman and vacuum salesman.

My sister and I were raised in this area and we have both settled here. My dad found his peace in this area as do we and our children.

Margy shared the two photos at the right with us as well. →



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INSPECTORATE—HALIBURTON No. 1, PETERBOROUGH No. 3 and VICTORIA No. 2 Inspector—Nelson E. Ward, B.A., M.Ed. Minden

| Classification of certificates: | I. | II. | E-S.T. | T. | L.P. | Mus. | Totals |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Men: | 10 | 0 | 1 | 11 | 2 | 4 | 28 |
| Women: | 32 | 10 | 0 | 8 | 0 | 0 | 50 |

No. of Boards Active, 22; Inactive, 1.
No. of Schools Open, 46; Closed, 46.
No. of Classrooms Open, 74; Closed, 45.

No. of full-time teachers and principals..... 74
No. of supervisors and itinerant teachers..... 4
Total..... 78

| NAME OF BOARD | Under 9 and 10 Closed (CL) Inactive (U) | Assessment (Enrolment Sept. 5 in brackets) | Secretary (Sec.) Supervising Principal (S. Prin.) | SECRETARY AND TEACHER | ADDRESS | Certificate | Salary |
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| Dysart T.S.A.... | 1 | 4,012,410 | Sec. | Kellet, Clifford..... | Haliburton..... | ..... | ..... |
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| | | | | Glassey, Mrs. Anne... | Haliburton..... | I | 3,600 |
| (Guilford Cons.).. | 2 & 3 | (103) | | Prentice, J. McColl... | W. Guilford..... | I | 3,900 |
| | | | | Neville, Mrs. Jean... | Haliburton..... | I | 2,800 |
| | | | | Wallace, Carl..... | Eagle Lake..... | I | 3,200 |
| Harburn..... | 1 CL | | | Pupils to 3, Dysart. | | | |
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| | | | | Chase, Audrey..... | " ..... | I | 3,600 |
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| | | | | Thompson, John..... | " ..... | T. | 2,700 |
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| | | | | Dickson, Wayne..... | " ..... | L.P. | ..... |

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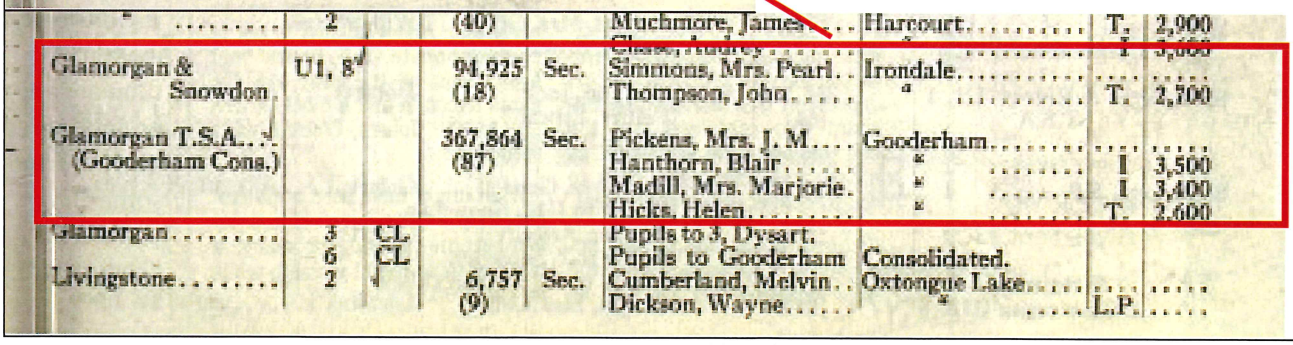
## THE PUBLIC SCHOOLS OF THE COUNTY INSPECTORATES

I was recently made aware of these records.
I haven't investigated the whole list yet.

One of my good friends brought this particular page to my attention.

The large red box is the enlarged portion in the small red box — enabling you to see those name listed in the Irondale and Gooderham area.

Perhaps you want to research your school area?
https://archive.org/search?query=ontario+teachers+OISE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We are interested in sharing your school stories!

Let Carol know.

THE BRILLIANT MIND OF EDISON LEE TORONTO STAR June 9/23 BY JOHN HAMBROCK
I'LL GO AHEAD AND TAKE ALL THIS STUFF TO THE THRIFT STORE.
YOU KNOW, DON, ON SECOND THOUGHT, I THINK WE SHOULD KEEP THIS FONDUE SET.
AND THIS CORN STEAMER WAS MY GRANDMOTHER'S. I'D FEEL GUILTY GIVING IT AWAY.
DIDN'T MOM TELL YOU, DAD? I'VE DECIDED TO KEEP MY LAMP.
FONDUE
CORN STEAMER
YOU'RE GETTING RID OF MY OTTOMAN?
GOOD GRIEF, POP! YOU NEVER USE IT!
HMM... I REALLY SHOULD HANG ON TO THE LAWN EDGER IN CASE THE OTHER ONE BREAKS.
6.11
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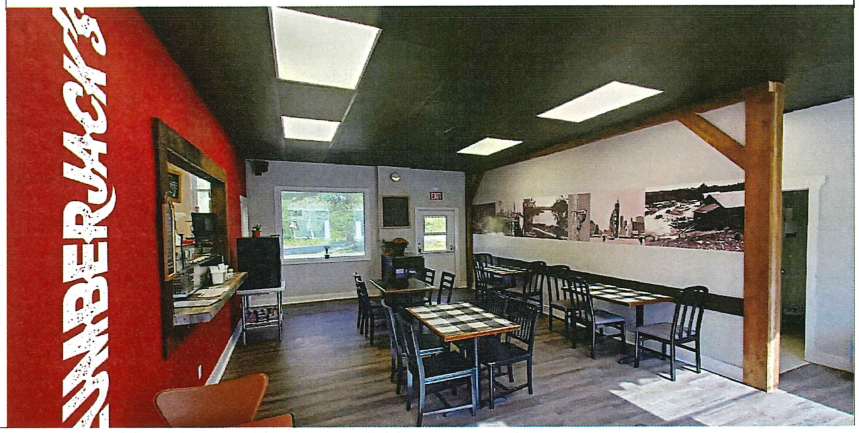
*Your editor & her mom enjoyed Saturday brunch here.*

## Trivia Questions—Test Your Brain Cells

1. What is cynophobia the fear of?
2. What book won Carol Shields the 1995 Pulitzer Prize for fiction?
3. In British slang, if you are "chuffed", how are you feeling?
4. What baseball legend's lifetime batting average was 366?
5. What Toronto agricultural showcase turned 100 in 2022?
6. What did English explorer Sir Francis Drake accomplish in 1580?
7. What United Kingdom country's capital is Cardiff?
8. Mary Leakey found early human fossils in what nation?
9. What nation has the highest percentage land area on its continent?
10. What nation pioneered the walking safari?

Answers elsewhere in the issue. How did you do this time?



## ANNIVERSARY

Congratulations to Judy and Ed Bunville celebrating their 60th wedding anniversary on June 8. What a milestone!!! All of our love, your family.

**Put your thinking caps on.**

Left to Right.
Back row— ??, ??, ??, ??, ??, ??, teacher Miss Agnew
Middle row—??, ??, ??, ??, ??, ??, ??
Front Row—??, ??, ??, ??, ??, ??
Going through the many school yearbooks and photo albums that George had so thoughtfully provided for Fred's Celebration on June 24 ... I found the photo above. The only person named was the teacher. Some look familiar however I am looking to you the readers to supply me with names of the students and the year it was taken.

No matter how you slice it, we wish Tom & Dorothy Lee a very Happy Anniversary

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Gordon Smith died May 2023

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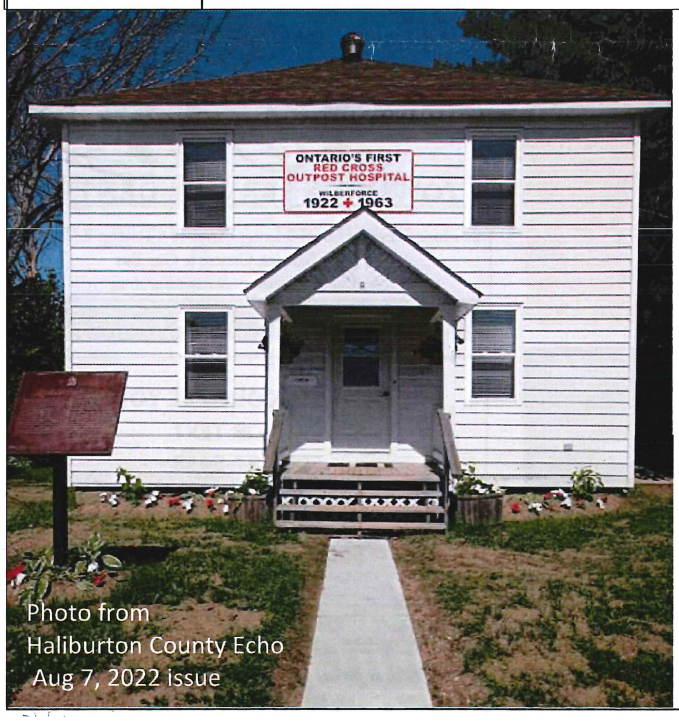
The Times MINDEN ONTARIO

County Life Celebrating arts and culture in the Haliburton Highlands

## ~ Irondale Calendar of Events ~

**Please be sure to check the appropriate website and/or Facebook pages to get up to date information**

| 2023 | **Unless otherwise noted -**<br>**Tickets available online at www.IrondaleOntario.ca or call/text 705-457-8438** |
|---|---|
| **Aug** | Watch our Facebook page and/or your email. We may be planning something interesting that you may wish to take part in. Just not enough facts to share at this point. |
| **Sat. Sept 23** | **Harvest Festival -** We celebrate the fall season with BBQ, vendors, contests and more. 11am to 4pm on the heritage property at 1019 Elm Rd. FREE ADMISSION |
| **Sat. Sept 30** | **Harvest Dinner -** Doors open at 5pm with dinner served at 5:30pm. Irondale Community Centre Root vegetables, turkey, dessert. $25 per person. Proceeds to Irondale's history. |
| **Sat. Nov 11** | **Themed Dinner** - Doors open at 5pm with dinner served at 5:30pm. **Irondale Community Centre** You won't go away hungry. $25 per person. Proceeds to Irondale's history. |
| **Sat. Nov 4 to Sun. Nov 12** | **"Service, Courage & Sacrifice -** 10am to 4pm each day - a display of flags of those brave individuals associated with Irondale, that served Canada in various aspects of war. Wander the grounds in remembrance, visit indoor displays of military memorabilia. New flags & displays from last year! |



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**Around the County - places to visit**

Wilberforce Red Cross Outpost - 2314 Loop Rd, Wilberforce, ON
Open Wed to Mon - 11am to 4pm - July and August

The Wilberforce Red Cross Outpost & Historic House is the site of the first Red Cross Outpost Hospital in Ontario, as well as the first hospital of any kind in Haliburton County and its surrounding area.

The Red Cross Outpost opened in 1922 and was operated by live-in nurses until 1957. It then continued to serve various community and medical services until 1963.

The Historic House Museum is preserved, organized and operated by the Wilberforce Heritage Guild 1991®, a Volunteer Charitable Group and is owned and supported by the Municipality of Highlands East.

The building was designated as a National Historic Site in Sept 2003 and at a ceremony in Aug 2006 the National Historic Site plaque was unveiled.

Special events and displays related to Outpost and Community history are organized.